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# Demonizer Zilch

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Demonizer  
Zilch





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I WAS  
POWER-  
LESS.



EVEN  
THOUGH  
I'D  
PROMISED  
TO  
PROTECT  
HER...



YOU'RE  
NOT  
POWER-  
LESS.

I—



...THERE  
WAS  
NOTHING  
I COULD  
DO.

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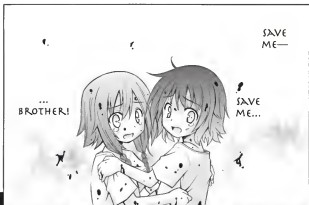
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1st Demon  
The "Branch" Girl







MAYBE  
I'M SICK.



AND  
BY HOME,  
WE MEAN  
KARAOKE.  
YOU  
COMING  
WITH?

HARU-  
OMI,  
LET'S  
HEAD  
HOME.



NOT...  
AGAIN.



I'M  
HARUOMI  
IO. AGE  
SIXTEEN.  
A  
SECOND-  
YEAR  
IN HIGH  
SCHOOL.

IO-KUN, YOU  
DON'T LOOK  
LIKE THE TYPE  
WHO GETS  
OUT A LOT  
THOUGH.

WHAT?  
BUT IT'S  
ONLY HALFWAY  
THROUGH THE  
MONTH,  
ISN'T IT?

YEAH,  
I'M  
GAME.

I DON'T  
HAVE MUCH  
ALLOWANCE  
LEFT, BUT  
COUNT  
ME IN.



THE  
PRESENT

EVEN  
THOUGH  
MY MIND'S  
ALWAYS  
ON THE  
PAST.

I KNOW  
HOW TO  
LIVE LIFE  
WITH NO  
MONEY.

IT'S NOT  
THE PAST  
THAT  
MATTERS,  
BUT THE  
PRESENT.

REAL  
LIFE'S  
PEACE-  
FUL...

EVEN  
THOUGH  
I LOOK  
FORWARD  
TO HAVING  
ADVENT-  
URES AND  
PLAYING  
WITH FIRE,  
NOTHING  
EVER  
HAPPENS.

Y-  
YEAH?

IO-KUN!

...  
KUN?

...  
EXCEPT  
FOR ONE  
THING.

I USED  
TO ONLY  
DREAM  
ABOUT IT  
ONCE IN  
A WHILE.

NOT  
GETTING  
ENOUGH  
SLEEP?

WHAT'S  
UP,  
HARUOH?  
YOU'VE  
BEEN SO  
OUT OF IT  
LATELY.

THE SCENE  
THAT KEEPS  
REPEATING  
ITSELF IN  
MY HEAD—



BUT  
I'M BEING  
HELD BACK  
BY ADULTS  
AND CAN'T  
REACH  
THEM.



...  
SHAKING  
IN FEAR  
AND  
BEGGING  
ME TO  
SAVE  
THEM.



TWO  
LITTLE  
GIRLS...



...  
THEY'RE  
MY LITTLE  
SISTER...

...AND  
CHILD-  
HOOD  
FRIEND

I ONLY  
HAVE  
FRAG-  
MENTED  
MEMORIES  
OF IT,  
BUT...



...MY LITTLE  
SISTER  
DIED IN AN  
ACCIDENT  
WITH MY  
MOM,  
TAKING MY  
CHILDHOOD  
FRIEND  
ALONG WITH  
THEM...



I WAS  
SUPPOSED  
TO  
PROTECT  
THEM—



SO MY  
FATHER  
TOOK MY  
HAND AND  
LED ME  
AWAY FROM  
THERE.



AND  
YET...



I SAID THAT'S NOT IT.

WHOA, THAT'S A BIT OF A SHOCK.

THEN IT MUST NOT BE ONE OF US HERE.

I WAS AFRAID TO ASK.

I RAN AWAY BECAUSE I WAS POWERLESS.



COULD IT BE YOU'VE GOT A CRUSH AND CAN'T STOP THINKING ABOUT HER?

HE NEVER TALKED ABOUT IT, AND I NEVER ASKED.

FOR REAL?

AS IF.



GUH!?



AM I...  
SEEING  
THINGS?



AM HA HA!  
I NEVER  
KNEW  
HE WAS  
THAT  
BAD OFF!

WHAT  
WAS  
THAT  
JUST  
NOW  
...?





THIS IS  
FOX 2.

I'VE  
SPOTTED  
THE  
DEMONIZER  
"BRANCH"  
NUMBER  
29.

IT'S A  
"GIRL,"  
JUST LIKE  
ALL THE  
OTHERS.

FOX 3.  
FOX 5.  
CONVENE.

FOX 8,  
GO AHEAD  
AND CUT  
HER OFF.

REFRAIN  
FROM  
FIRING  
UNTIL THE  
RESTRICTION ON  
ORDINARY  
CITIZENS IS  
PREPARED  
BY THE  
LOCAL  
POLICE.



ALL THE  
MUSIC I  
LISTEN TO  
NOW IS  
FROM A  
WHILE AGO.  
I'M WAY  
BEHIND THE  
TIMES.



DAMN.  
I DON'T  
KNOW  
ANY OF  
THESE  
RECENT  
SONGS.



HM?



いっ……

WH-WHAT'S  
WITH THIS  
GIRL...?  
HER  
EYES ARE  
GLOWING...  
RED.

THIS IS  
THE MEN'S  
BATHROOM.

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU...?

MED-  
DLING.

WHAT  
...?

WH-WHAT  
KIND OF  
QUESTION  
IS THAT  
...?

THAT'S  
WHAT  
YOU'RE  
DOING.





UWAH!?



WHO  
IS THIS  
KID!?



THE  
MIRROR



WOW  
WOW



YOU  
GOTTA BE  
KIDDING  
ME!!





OH, AND  
THE BATH-  
ROOM'S  
OUT OF  
ORDER, SO  
DON'T GO  
IN THERE.  
GOT IT?!



SORRY,  
BUT I'M  
REALLY NOT  
FEELING  
WELL. I'M  
GOING  
HOME!

HARU-  
OM?



THAT  
WEIRD GIRL  
APPEARED  
BEFORE  
ME.



WHO  
KNOWS?

WHAT'S  
UP WITH  
HIM?



HA-HA!

HA-HA!

AND  
YET...

GUH  
...!

IT  
DOESN'T  
FEEL  
LIKE I'M  
BEING  
FOL-  
LOWED.



I DON'T  
KNOW  
WHAT'S  
GOING ON,  
BUT IF  
SHE'S GOT  
A BONE TO  
PICK WITH  
ME, SHE'LL  
PROBABLY  
CHASE  
AFTER ME.

HA-HA.  
IT'S LIKE  
ALL I  
EVER DO  
IS RUN  
AWAY...



...WHAT'S  
THIS HEAVY  
FEELING LIKE  
MY HEART'S  
BEING  
SQUEEZED?



?





...OH.

NO.



THAT  
GIRL...  
FROM  
BEFORE?



GUH...  
HAH!

WHA...?













WHAT  
THE HELL!?  
NOW IT  
FEELS LIKE  
MY HEAD'S  
SPLITTING  
...!?



G U A A A A H ! ?

!?

WHAT'S  
HAPPEN-  
ING TO  
ME...?



GLOWING.....  
RED EYES!!



!!

BRANCH?  
GO-  
WET-  
TIA?

WHAT  
IS THAT?  
WHAT'S  
SHE  
TALKING  
ABOUT  
...?



I'VE  
CONFIRMED  
THE SAME  
RED LIGHT  
COMING  
FROM THE  
FACTORY'S  
EYES.

IT LEADS  
ME TO BELIEVE  
HE'S EITHER  
A "BRANCH"  
OR SOMEHOW  
CONNECTED TO  
"SOETIA."

HOME  
BASE,  
THIS IS  
FOX 4.



I'VE  
FOUND  
A NEW  
FACTOR,  
DIFFERENT  
FROM OUR  
TARGET,  
WITHIN THE  
OPERATIONAL  
ZONE.



THIS ALL  
STARTED  
BECAUSE  
YOU KNEED  
ME IN THE  
GUT!!

YES,  
THIS IS  
FOX 4  
OVER  
AND OUT.



STAY  
BACK,  
PERVERT  
!!

HEY...DO  
YOU KNOW  
ANYTHING  
ABOUT  
THIS...?



P-  
PERVERT  
??

LIKE A  
VAMPIRE.

THEY'RE  
LIGHTING  
RIGHT UP

あ  
の  
う

UH

ARE  
THOSE  
GLOWING  
RED EYES  
OF YOURS  
CHRONIC?

WE  
ARE THE  
SEVENTH  
GOSPEL  
ORGANIZA-  
TION.

GLOW-  
ING  
RED?

あ  
の  
う

N-NOW THAT  
I'VE GOT A  
GOOD LOOK AT  
HER, SHE'S  
PRETTY DARN  
CUTE...

I COULDN'T TELL EARLIER  
BECAUSE OF HER HOOD.



Fox 4, this is home base.

IF SOME NEW FACTOR OR WHATEVER IS THERE, THEN DON'T YOU THINK HE'S PROBABLY HER TARGET!?



Fox 4, this is Fox 2. The target is approaching your location.

!



KEEP THE "BRANCH" FROM BEING REUNITED WITH THE FACTOR.

SHOOT HIM DEAD.



SHE'S  
GOING TO  
KILL ME?



NO  
WAY...  
AM I  
GONNA  
DIE?

WTF  
YOUR  
SOUL  
REST IN  
PEACE.



HUH...?

A GUN?  
A REAL  
ONE?

I COULDN'T SAVE MY  
LITTLE SISTER OR MY FRIEND,  
LET ALONE MYSELF.

IT'S ABSURD.

BUT WHY...?

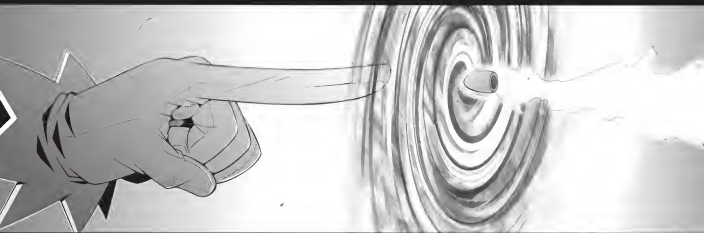
I'M — POWERLESS.

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DUBAI (PROMPT)



***YOU ARE NOT...***

***...POWERLESS.***









MASTER

...

THAT'S  
NO  
GOOD.



A  
"BRANCH"

SHE'S  
NOT EVEN  
HUMAN.



ANOTHER  
LITTLE  
GIRL?  
NO.

THAT'S  
NOT  
WHAT  
SHE IS.



I KEPT  
HEARING

...A  
VOICE  
CRYING  
OUT FOR  
HELP



SO  
IT WAS  
YOU.



I AM MORE  
POWERFUL THAN  
ALL THE KINGS  
OF LIRUK AND  
PHILISTINE.

YOU  
HAVE  
ME  
NOW.

YOU  
ARE NOT  
POWER-  
LESS.





THE  
PHYSICAL  
INCARNATION  
OF THE DEMON  
ARCHDUKE  
"ASTAROTH"!

I AM  
ZILCH.  
ZILCH  
KANOA.

卍  
BABA  
(FEMME)



# Demonizer Zilch

D E M O N I Z E R I L L U S



## The "Thorn" Engagement

[illegible]





NICE  
TO MEET  
YOU, MR.  
FATHER.

I'M  
ZILCH.  
ZILCH  
KANOA.  
NOW,  
HOW  
ABOUT  
YOU LET  
US IN!?

...R-  
RIGHT.

2nd Demon

The “Thorn” Engagement



...YOU SAVED  
HARLOM FROM  
SOME BADDIES  
HE'D GOTTEN  
WRAPPED UP  
WITH. RESCUING  
HIM FROM AN  
ASSASSIN...



I SEE,  
I SEE. SO  
IN OTHER  
WORDS,  
ZILCH-  
SAN...

WAIT!  
WELL  
THEN, MY  
SON IS  
GREATLY  
INDEBTED  
TO YOU.

HEAD  
BOOBY  
U?

THAT'S  
RIGHT!

FACTORY

U  
M  
P  
H!

KUH...

BUT  
DIDN'T  
SHE SUM  
IT UP SO  
WELL?

HOW  
CAN YOU  
BELIEVE  
HER SO  
EASILY  
DAD?!

DON'T  
TALK SO  
HIGH-  
AND-  
MIGHTY  
...

HUMANS  
WHO ARE  
QUICK ON  
THE UPTAKE  
ARE THE  
BEST.

IT  
KEEPS TIME  
SPENT IN  
IGNORANCE  
DOWN SO  
THAT WE  
CAN MOVE  
ON.

DON'T  
YOU THINK  
THIS ALL  
SOUNDS  
A LITTLE  
CRAZY?!



—STILL,  
HARUOMI.

I NEVER  
KNEW YOU  
COULD  
HAVE A  
LOLITA  
COMPLEX  
AT SUCH  
A YOUNG  
AGE...

I KNEW  
YOU'D SAY  
THAT, BUT  
TRUST  
ME, IT'S  
NOT LIKE  
THAT.



...  
NOW,  
THEN.



OKAY,  
NOW THAT  
I WASN'T  
EXPECTING,  
DAD!!

HH-HH,  
HH-HH.

...I  
FIGURED.  
YOU  
ALWAYS  
DID PREFER  
THE WELL-  
ENDOWED  
TYPES LIKE  
YOUR  
MOTHER  
WAS.



"THE  
LESSER  
KEY OF  
SOLOMON,  
GOETIA."

"WATCH-  
ER  
EGGS."



MR.  
FATHER.

IF YOU'RE  
REALLY  
HARLOW'S  
FATHER,  
THEN YOU  
MUST KNOW,  
RIGHT?



I WRITE  
MYSTERY  
NOVELS.

I'M  
JUST A  
WRITER.



THE  
"GILPHOTH,  
DEMONIC  
TREE" PLAN.

WHY  
IS SHE  
ASKING  
MY DAD  
THIS...?







DON'T  
THINK THAT  
PEOPLE  
INVOLVED  
WITH THEM  
CAN LIVE IN  
PEACE.

GOETIA  
AND THE  
SEVENTH  
GOSPEL  
ORGANIZA-  
TION.

WHAT  
HAS MY  
FATHER  
DONE...?

"GOETIA."  
"SEVENTH  
GOSPEL  
ORGANIZA-  
TION."

I AM  
ZILCH.  
ZILCH  
KANOA.

THE  
PHYSICAL  
INCARNATION  
OF THE  
DEMON  
ARCHDUKE  
ASTAROTH!





YOU  
PATHETIC  
LITTLE  
LAMBS  
WHO MAKE  
OFFERINGS  
TO "ONE  
TRUE GOD."

JUST  
TRY AND  
PUNISH ME  
WITH THAT  
DIVINE  
PROTEC-  
TION!

THE  
29TH  
BRANCH

"ASTAROTH"  
.....!!

DID SHE  
SAY.....  
DEMON?



WAIT,  
SHE'S...!



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ED!

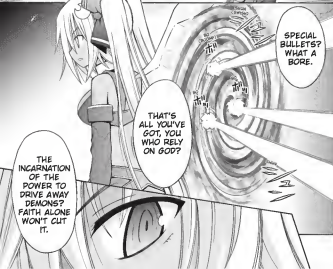
FIRE  
WITH THE  
HOLY  
GERM-  
MONIAL  
SEAL  
BUL-  
LETS!



FOX 4,  
ARE  
YOU  
OKAY  
?!



FIRE  
!!



SPECIAL  
BULLETS?  
WHAT A  
BORE.

THAT'S  
ALL YOU'VE  
GOT, YOU  
WHO RELY  
ON GOD?

THE  
INCARNATION  
OF THE  
POWER TO  
DRIVE AWAY  
DEMONS?  
FAITH ALONE  
WON'T CUT  
IT.





YOU  
EXORCISTS  
ARE A  
FUNNY  
BUNCH,  
AREN'T  
YOU?

FIRST  
GUNS  
AND  
NOW A  
KNIFE.

OUR GOD  
WOULDN'T  
WANT  
THAT!!

ARE  
YOU  
GOING  
TO  
GET  
ME FOR  
YOUR  
LORD  
CHRIST?  
HM?



THEN IT'S  
A POWER  
TO KILL...!



WAS SHE  
SAYING...  
SHE'D  
GIVE ME  
POWER?



.....



!



JUST  
LIKE THAT,  
KEEP HER  
ATTENTION  
ON YOU,  
MURD-  
MERE!



THAT'S  
NOT  
RIGHT.

THIS  
ISN'T THE  
POWER I  
WANTED  
.....!

AND I'M  
NEVER  
DOING  
THAT  
AGAIN.



NO...  
THAT'S  
JUST AN  
EXCUSE  
TO RUN  
AWAY



.....I  
KNOW  
WHAT  
WAS I...  
THINK-  
ING?

...HEY.

GUM...

GAHAN...

KOFF...!

FW







WELL, AT  
LEAST I'LL  
GET TO SEE  
MY LITTLE  
SISTER  
AND FRIEND  
AGAIN.

AM  
I GOING  
TO DIE  
HERE...?





IN  
FACT, THAT  
MORTAL  
WOUND IS  
ALREADY  
HEALING.

...NOW  
THAT  
YOU'RE  
INVOLVED  
WITH ME,  
YOU CAN'T  
DIE THAT  
EASILY.

SORRY,  
BUT...

WH...  
WHY IS  
THIS...?



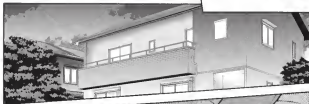
AN  
ENGAGE-  
MENT...  
THE BOY'S  
BEEN  
PIERCED BY  
A "THORN"  
ALREADY.



IF YOU  
TRY TO  
FOLLOW  
US...







MY DAD  
KNEW.

OR IS  
IT THAT  
HE AND  
I WERE  
ONLY  
RUNNING  
AWAY  
FROM THE  
TRUTH?



ZILCH...  
DEMON'S  
...

I'M SORRY,  
HARUHI.  
I NEED A  
LITTLE TIME.

YOU  
WANNA  
KNOW?

AND  
HERE I  
AM WITH  
GLOWING  
RED EYES  
AND WOUNDS  
THAT HEAL  
ON  
THEIR OWN....  
WHAT'S  
GOING ON  
WITH ME?







THIS  
TIME, ONE  
THAT'S MORE  
STEEPED  
IN LUST...



...BETWEEN  
A BOY AND A  
GIRL.....



ZLCH...







LIKE THAT REGENERATIVE AND HEALING ABILITY YOU EXPERIENCED EARLIER.

PRETTY SWEET HUH?



I D-DON'T KNOW...



BUT THAT'S NOT ALL.



THIS BINDING ENABLES ME TO BRING INTO PLAY A WHOLE STRONGER POWER TO THIS PLANE.

AND YOU WILL BE GRANTED SUPERHUMAN POWERS BY ME.





HFF

MMMM

NN...

NN

...CANNOT  
RESIST A  
DEMON'S  
TEMPTA-  
TION.

.....  
ORDINARY  
PEOPLE



BUT I'M  
ON YOUR  
SIDE.



CALL MY  
NAME...

...AND  
STEP INTO  
CHAOS,  
HARUOMI.



ZILCH...

3rd Demon  
"Watcher Egg"



IT'S  
MORNING.

EILCH  
ISN'T  
HERE...

...AND  
THAT  
WEIRD  
MARK ON  
MY CHEST  
IS GONE.



THAT'S  
RIGHT. IT  
WAS ALL  
JUST A  
DREAM.



IT  
FEELS LIKE  
EVERYTHING  
FROM  
YESTERDAY  
WASN'T  
REAL...  
LIKE IT WAS  
ALL JUST A  
DREAM.





GET  
UP,  
HARU-  
OMI.

THERE'S  
NO TIME  
TO LOSE.

WE'RE  
SKIPPING  
THAT SCHOOL  
OF YOURS  
AND GOING  
OUT TODAY.







D-D-DON'T  
GO STEALING  
PEEKS AT  
A DEMON'S  
PANTIES,  
YOU IDIOTE







— HAI ME  
TOUNOGI  
DOESN'T  
NEED TO  
TELL ME.  
I ALREADY  
KNOW I  
MESSED  
UP.



ASTAROTH...  
WAS MORE  
POWERFUL  
THAN ANY  
"BRANCH"  
SO FAR. I  
COULDN'T  
DO  
ANYTHING.



EVEN IF  
THEY WERE  
SOLDIERS  
WITHOUT  
CONVICTION  
AND TOO  
EAGER FOR  
SUCCESS,  
IT DOESN'T  
CHANGE THE  
FACT WE LOST  
PRECIOUS  
ALLIES.

THE  
SEVENTH  
GOSPEL  
ORGANIZATION  
IN THIS FAR  
EASTERN  
ISLAND  
COUNTRY  
HAS ONLY A  
FEW STAFF  
REGULARS  
BESIDES ME,  
PETERSEN,  
AND THE  
DIRECTOR.



THERE IS  
THAT BOY  
WITH THE  
GLOWING  
RED  
EYES—



REGARDLESS  
OF WHERE  
HE MAY  
HAVE COME  
FROM, IT'S  
CLEAR HE  
HAD NO  
CLUE OF THE  
SITUATION  
HE WAS IN.



AND  
THEN...



IS THAT  
WHY HE  
DIDN'T EVEN  
HESITATE  
TO MAKE  
HIMSELF  
A HUMAN  
SHIELD?

SOME-  
THING  
DOESN'T  
ADD UP.

DID HE  
PROTECT HER  
BECAUSE  
HE'S A  
CITIZEN IN A  
NATION SO  
COMPLACENT  
IN ITS PEACE  
THAT HE'S  
IGNORANT OF  
THE PAIN AND  
MORTAL RISK  
THAT COMES  
WITH TAKING  
A BULLET?

IT'S CLEAR  
THAT THE  
"BRANCH"  
APPEARED IN  
THAT TOWN  
EXPRESSLY  
SETTING HER  
SIGHTS ON  
HIM IN THE  
FIRST PLACE,  
SO THEN  
HE TOO—

!!





...OR MORE  
LIKE FIRMS  
WASSED  
THEM.

WAAA  
CRAAAAGH

...WHY'D  
I HAVE TO  
GO AND  
REMEMBER  
THAT...

THEY  
SAID THE  
FIRST TIME  
ENTERED  
HAD EVER  
TOUCHED MY  
REAR...



GOOD  
MORNING,  
DIRECTOR.



WHICH  
IS IT..?

THEN  
AGAIN,  
WE'RE  
GOING TO  
START  
TALKING  
BUSINESS,  
SO I DON'T  
REALLY  
CARE.  
WAA



!!

THE  
TRUTH  
IS, WE'VE  
UNEARTHED  
THE ORIGINS  
OF THAT  
BOY FROM  
LAST  
NIGHT.



GOOD  
MORNING,  
YAGAKI-  
KUN.

BUT  
PLEASE  
CALL ME  
"FATHER"  
IN THIS  
PLACE.

AH I'M  
SORRY,  
FATHER.



THANK-  
FULLY, HE  
SEEMS TO  
BE ON HIS  
WAY HERE.  
PROBABLY  
TO OBJECT  
ABOUT YES-  
TERDAY'S  
FIASCO.

STILL,  
I  
SHOULD  
BE  
ABLE TO  
OUTWIT  
HIM.



AND SO,  
YAKAGI-  
KUN, I  
WANT YOU  
TO HURRY  
AND SEIZE  
HIM.

WHAT  
ABOUT  
HAIME  
TOUNOGI?

NO  
NEED TO  
WORRY  
ABOUT  
ANNIHIL-  
ATING HIM.



HARLOWE  
TO-KUN  
IS A HIGH  
SCHOOL  
STUDENT  
FROM THAT  
TOWN WHO  
LIVES ALONE  
WITH HIS  
FATHER.

I'M  
ALREADY  
HAVING  
ANALOUX  
TRACE  
HIM.



MAY  
YOU HAVE  
A GOOD  
HUNT, IN  
THE NAME  
OF GOD.

I PERMIT  
YOU THE USE  
OF CODE E  
EQUIPMENT.

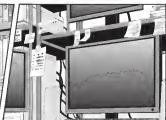


AMEN.











WHEN  
I WAS  
TWENTY,  
I EVEN  
SHARED A  
BATH WITH  
YOU WHEN  
YOU WERE  
JUST A  
LITTLE  
THING...  
♡

UH...  
WHAAA-  
AT?!



LEVI...  
SAN.  
DO YOU  
KNOW  
ME?

OH,  
I KNOW  
YOU, ALL  
RIGHT.....  
I KNOW  
EVERY-  
THING.



RESEARCH?

I  
SEE.

WE WERE  
UTTERLY  
DEVOTED  
TO OUR  
RESEARCH  
...



...THAT'S  
RIGHT.  
WE WERE  
MEMBERS OF  
SOLOMON'S  
LESSER KEY,  
GORTIA.



SO  
KAZUMA  
IO AND  
LEVI...

...WERE  
BOTH  
COLLAB-  
ORATORS  
WITH THAT  
TEAM OF  
FANATICAL  
SCIENTISTS.





THEN THEY  
MADE THE  
BIGGEST  
DISCOVERY  
OF THE  
CENTURY...

...THE  
"ARK."

IT TOOK  
THE FORM OF  
A RELIGIOUS  
ORGANIZATION,  
BUT IT WAS  
REALLY  
RATHER  
SUSPECT.

APPARENTLY,  
IT USED TO  
BE A SMALL  
MAGICAL ARTS  
SOCIETY  
FROM SOME  
OBSCURE  
CORNER OF  
EUROPE.

WHAT THEY  
DISCOVERED  
IS SOMETHING  
CALLED THE  
"MERCY SEAT"...

BUT  
IT'S NOT  
REALLY  
THAT...

USUALLY,  
IT REFERS TO  
THE THING FROM  
JERUSALEM THAT  
CONTAINED THE STONE  
SLABS ON WHICH THE  
TEN COMMANDMENTS  
WERE INSCRIBED  
AFTER MOSES  
CARRIED THEM  
DOWN THE  
MOUNTAIN.

I SAW  
IT IN A  
MOVIE...

BY  
"ARK,"  
DO YOU  
MEAN  
THAT  
FAMOUS  
ONE  
...?

MOSTLY, IT  
WAS HEBREW  
BATTLE GEAR...  
BUT THERE WERE  
ALSO SOME  
INEXPLICABLE  
ITEMS  
BEYOND OUR  
COMPREHENSION.

FOR THAT  
REASON, A  
MULTITUDE OF  
POWERS ARE  
BELIEVED  
TO RESIDE  
IN THE  
"SEAT."

THE  
"SEAT" WAS  
CARRIED  
INTO  
BATTLE  
IN PLACE  
OF AN  
IDOL AND  
SYMBOLIZED  
THE POWER  
OF  
JEHOVAH.



ARE YOU FOLLOWING...? ALL THESE THINGS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH DEMONS.

WERE YOU GOING...

.....



WITH WEALTHY SATANISTS AS PATRONS, THEY KEPT AMASSING MORE AND MORE OCCULTISTS, BIOLOGISTS, AND DOCTORS ...

APPARENTLY, THE ORGANIZATION EXPLODED IN SIZE.



MY DAD AND HIS COLLEAGUES WERE STUDYING DEMONS ...?



AMONG THEM WERE MYSELF, YOUR MOTHER, AND PROFESSOR LEVI.



MY INTEREST  
WAS IN THE  
REFINEMENT  
OF A CERTAIN  
LIFE-FORM  
THAT WAS A  
CHALLENGE  
FOR THE TWO  
ID PROFESS-  
SORS.

MY  
FIELD IS  
BIOTECH,  
FIRST AND  
FOREMOST

HAD IT  
SIMPLY  
BEEN  
DEMON-  
OLOGY, I  
WOULDN'T  
HAVE PARTICI-  
PATED.



"BRANCHES"  
DEMONIZERS  
?

THE  
DEMONIZER  
GIRLS  
KNOWN AS  
"BRANCHES"...  
YOU SEE.



...  
**THAT'S  
RIGHT.  
SHE'S  
REFER-  
RING TO  
US.**



AND  
SO THE  
GLYPHOTH  
PLAN WAS  
DEvised. THEY  
WOULD MAKE  
THESE ARTIFICIAL  
DEMONS, CALLED  
DEMONIZERS,  
OUT OF THE  
"FRUIT" AND  
CONTROL THEM  
WITH A  
"RING."

THEY  
LABORED  
GREATLY  
TO SUMMON  
THEM,  
OFFERING  
LIVING  
SACRIFICES  
AND  
PERFORMING  
CEREMONIES.



IT ALL  
STARTED  
WITH THOSE  
WHO WANTED  
TO ATTAIN  
THE POWER  
OF DEMONS  
AND  
DEVILS.





THAT'S ENOUGH.

THAT WAY,  
THEY COULD  
UTILIZE THE  
DEMON POWER  
WHENEVER AND  
WHEREVER  
THEY WANTED,  
EASILY AND  
WITHOUT  
SACRIFICES.



GET TO  
THE PART  
WHERE  
YOU GUYS  
SINNED.







THEY  
WERE USED  
IN FUSION  
EXPERIMENTS  
WITH THE  
SEVENTY-  
TWO DEMONS  
OF KING  
SOLOMON...



THE  
CHILDREN  
WE  
GATHERED  
WERE  
CALLED  
"WATCHER  
EGGS."

*I SEE,  
THEN ZILCH...  
IS THE FUSED  
BODY OF A GIRL  
NAMED ZILCH  
KANOA AND  
THE DEMON  
ASTAROTH.*



THEN THAT  
MEANS  
ALL THE  
OTHER  
CHILDREN  
WERE  
ALSO...



WERE THERE  
EVER ANY...  
FAILURES?





ONCE  
SCIENTISTS  
TASTE  
SUCCESS,  
IT MAKES  
THEM  
THIRST  
FOR MORE.

THEY  
WANTED TO  
TAKE  
IT EVEN  
FURTHER.



...I'D  
SAY THEY  
WERE THE  
MAJORITY.



BUT WE  
HAD A FEW  
SUCCESSFUL  
FUSIONS.



I WAS  
AGAINST IT  
BECAUSE OF  
THE DANGERS,  
BUT BY THEN,  
PROFESSOR IO  
HAD ALREADY  
LEFT...

AS A  
RESULT, I WAS  
SEVERED FROM  
MY RESEARCH,  
AND ATTEMPTS  
WERE EVEN  
MADE ON MY  
LIFE, SO  
I FLED.

THAT  
WAS  
FIVE  
YEARS  
AGO.



IN THE  
END, THEY  
EVEN TAMPERED  
WITH DEMONS  
THAT COULDN'T  
BE CONTROLLED  
WITH THE  
RING OF  
SOLOMON...



!

HARUOMI,  
LISTEN  
TO ME.



THAT'S  
WHY  
I'M NOT  
FAMILAR  
WITH THIS  
ONE.....  
YOU MUST  
HAVE BEEN  
FUSED  
AFTER I  
LEFT.

PROBABLY.  
I WAS ONLY  
BORN TWO  
YEARS AGO.



WHAT I'M  
ABOUT TO  
TELL YOU IS  
WHAT YOUR  
MOTHER AND  
I DID TO YOU  
ALL...!





REALLY.

REALLY?

...WE  
ARE  
ALREADY  
LATE,  
MASTER.

WILL YOU  
GO FOR ME,  
SHIJIMA?

...WHAT I  
WANT IS A  
"BRANCH."

IF  
YOU SO  
ORDER  
IT.

AS YOU  
WISH.

SIR.

NOW  
GO AND  
SHOW  
THEM  
THAT.

WE'RE AT  
A DISAD-  
VANTAGE  
AGAINST  
THESE  
GUYS,  
BUT AS A  
"BRANCH,"  
YOU'RE  
A CLASS  
AHEAD OF  
THEM.

AHW,  
I GUESS  
THEY  
REALLY  
TRIED  
THEIR  
BEST.

4th Demon  
"The 8th Sacrament of the  
Guilty"



...SINCE  
YOU WEREN'T  
AT HOME OR  
AT SCHOOL,  
MALOUX HAD  
ME RUNNING  
ALL OVER.

I AM  
YAKAGI  
MUROHIME  
WITH THE  
SEVENTH  
GOSPEL  
ORGANIZA-  
TION.

HARUOMI  
IO, I  
ASK THAT  
YOU COME  
WITH ME.







HMPH.  
I WONDER  
ABOUT  
THAT!

TH-TH-  
THAT'S  
NOT WHAT  
I MEANT  
AT ALL!  
I'M ON A  
MISSION



IN RESPONSE  
TO THEIR  
CHASTE LIFE-  
STYLE, INSIDE  
THEY'RE  
POSITIVELY  
DRIPPING  
WITH  
VULGAR  
THOUGHTS!

TH-  
THAT'S  
NOT...!



NUNS  
LIVE TO  
SEDUCE  
MEN EVEN  
MORE  
THAN  
SUCUBI!

DON'T  
LET HER  
BOUNTIFUL  
BOOBOM  
TRICK YOU,  
HARUDOM!



FOR 4,  
this is  
Malouh.

FOR 4  
HERE.



NAH...  
HA-HA-  
HA.

HE'S YOUR  
SON ALL  
RIGHT.....  
POPULAR  
WITH THE  
LADIES.



...BUT  
WE STILL  
CAN'T  
LET OUR  
GUARD  
DOWN.

IF HE GOES  
WITH HER...  
IT'LL BE  
BETTER  
THAN BEING  
KILLED...



OH,  
I DID  
LEARN.  
THAT'S  
WHY  
TODAY...

...I CAME  
ALONE.



YOU  
REALLY  
HAVEN'T  
LEARNED  
ANYTHING  
FROM  
YESTERDAY!

HMPH.  
SO,  
YOU  
WANNA  
GO?



There  
are no  
cameras  
there,  
and the  
signal's  
weak.  
I can't  
cover you.  
Find  
better  
ground.

ROGER



**CODE E  
LEVEL  
RELEASE**

...**"BTH  
SACRAMENT  
OF THE  
GUILTY."**

HER  
EYES  
ARE  
GOLDEN  
WITH A  
BLUE  
GLOW!



KU-  
HANN

BE  
QUIET

220

...AND  
COME  
WITH ME  
PLEASE.

NO WAAAAAH!







THERE  
HASN'T  
BEEN A  
SINGLE  
BOY  
AMONG  
THEM.

THE  
"BRANCHES"  
AND "EGGS"  
THAT WE'RE  
AFTER  
ARE ALL  
GIRLS.

!



WHAT DO  
YOU MEAN  
"WHAT"...?  
I'M ME.

WHAT  
ARE  
YOU?



I SEE.  
SO THEY  
DON'T KNOW  
THAT DAD  
AND THE  
OTHERS  
WERE  
RESEARCH-  
ERS.

...NOT  
REALLY.



DOES  
FAITH  
IN GOD  
GET  
YOU  
THAT?

H  
M  
?

YOU'RE  
NOT REALLY  
ONE TO  
COMMENT  
ON OTHERS.  
WHAT'S  
WITH THAT  
SUPER-  
HUMAN  
STRENGTH  
?



YOU WERE  
CAPTURED,  
WEREN'T YOU?  
BY GOETIA.

JUDGING BY  
YOUR AGE,  
IT WAS A  
PRETTY  
LONG TIME  
AGO, BUT DO  
YOU REMEMBER  
ANYTHING?



...I'M  
NOT  
TELLING.



FINE THEN,  
THAT'S WHAT  
I'LL OFFER  
YOU TOO!

LET'S  
CALL IT AN  
ADOLESCENT  
PHASE.



I WON'T  
ACCEPT  
THAT.

NO.





I'M NOT  
GONNA  
DO ANY-  
THING!

WHAT DO  
YOU MEAN TO  
ACCOMPLISH,  
USING THAT  
DEMON  
NAMED  
ZILCH?



...AND  
HUMANS  
WHO  
EMPLOY  
THEM.

OUR JOB  
IS THE  
EXTERMIN-  
ATION OF  
DEMONS  
...



BUT  
YOU'VE BEEN  
PIERCED BY  
A "THORN"  
AND NOW  
POSSESS  
DEMONIC  
POWERS.



I GOT  
DRAGGED  
INTO THIS  
WHOLE  
THING  
AGAINST  
MY WILL.  
BOTH  
YESTER-  
DAY AND  
TODAY!

THAT'S  
TRUE.  
SO  
FAR.

YOU'RE  
GOING TO  
GO FROM  
BEING A  
VICTIM TO  
A VILLAIN.



HUMANS WHO THINK THEY'RE POWERLESS ARE EASILY TAKEN IN BY DEMONS.



WHAT?

...WOULD YOU GET OFF OF ME ALREADY?

THEY GET DRUNK ON THAT POWER, LOSE THEMSELVES IN IT, AND END UP BEING CRUSHED.



...IT'S PRETTY FUN TO COP A FEEL.

//



IF YOU SAY IT'S BECAUSE I'M HEAVY, I'LL ROTATE YOUR NECK 180 DEGREES. HOW'S THAT?

HMM, WELL, EVEN IN THIS POSITION ...



THAT'S  
QUITE  
SOME  
NAME-  
CALLING.

YOU  
IDIOT!  
PERVERT!  
HORN-  
DOG!!



バキッ

FACEBOOK  
(SMACK)

ooooooooo



ハイハイ

TH-  
TH-THAT  
DEMON  
FILLED YOUR  
HEAD WITH  
CARNAL  
LUST...!



おどろ

ガッ

**YOU  
OKAY,  
HARUO**

...

...Ni...?

BAOON  
DUMBO

WAAAAH  
EEEEEM!

FORGODD  
OUTLOOKING

BOOM  
COLLAPSE

**WATER...  
I'M IN  
WATER...**

...IN THE  
WATER  
TANK...

I'M BACK  
THERE  
AGAIN...

SHEESH...  
I DON'T  
EVEN HAVE  
MY BATHING  
SUIT ON.  
THIS IS  
AWFUL.

BU-  
HAH!

HUH?

HEY.

30  
30  
30



YOU  
OKAY,  
ZILCH—



NOOOO!  
DON'T  
LOOK!  
DON'T  
LOOK!!

YOU'RE  
PRETTY  
WELL-EN-  
DOWED  
THERE...



~~~~~  
SAVING  
DOLPHINE! ~~~~~



IO-  
KUNI?

OH,  
COME  
ON,  
DON'T  
TELL  
ME...



...DEMONS  
CAN'T  
SWIM.











BROTHER,  
YOU CAN'T...



W-WE'RE  
BEING  
SWALLOWED  
UP.....!!



.....!!  
WHAT'S  
THIS DARK-  
NESS...  
IN THE  
WATER?





...  
JUST AS I'D  
EX-  
PECTED  
FROM  
YOU.

EVEN  
THOUGH  
THIS IS  
YOUR  
FIRST  
TIME  
SEEING  
ME IN  
THIS  
FORM.

...  
"GLASYA-  
LABOLAS."

Y-  
YOU'RE  
THE  
GIRL  
FROM  
THE  
KARAOKE  
JOINT  
...



I AM  
SHIJIMA  
KURO-  
HAZUMI.

THE  
"25TH  
BRANCH"  
AND "THE  
DOG KING'S  
PRIME  
MINISTER."

GLASYA-  
LABOLAS...  
IS WHO  
I AM.







5th Demon

"The Dog King's Prime Minister"

THAT IS TRUE,  
MR. TOUNOGI.

YOU  
WERE TO  
REPORT TO  
ME WHEN  
A NEW  
"BRANCH"  
APPEARS.  
  
WAS  
THAT  
NOT THE  
AGREEMENT?

THAT  
MAY BE  
SO.

SO,  
HOW MANY  
OF YOUR  
TRIGGER-  
HAPPY,  
FOOLHARDY  
LACKEYS  
ENDED UP  
DEAD?

THINGS  
ARE NOT  
GUARAN-  
TEED TO  
ALWAYS  
GO AS  
PLANNED.

BUT  
AT THE  
SCENE,  
SOME-  
THING  
CAME UP  
THAT WE  
HADN'T  
EXPECTED.

HA-HA-  
HA. YOU  
REALLY  
KNOW HOW  
TO HIT US  
WHERE IT  
HURTS.

WHY,  
YOU  
...!





A COMPELLING ARGUMENT.

MEANING THAT WE'RE NOT GONNA OVERLOOK THE FACT THAT YOU MEAN TO GAIN THE POWER OF SEVERAL "BRANCHES." YOU SATANIST.



THAT...

...ISN'T SOMETHING WE SHOULD BE WORSHIPING



FOX 4 HAS ENGAGED IN COMBAT WITH THE "BRANCH."

HM?

DIRECTOR.



WE ARE ON THE SIDE OF EXTERMINATING DEMONS.

LET US NOT FORGET THAT WE'RE OVERLOOKING THOSE BLACK-CLAD LITTLE GIRLS OF YOURS BECAUSE YOU OFFERED TO COOPERATE AND SUPPLIED US WITH USEFUL INFORMATION.

REMEMBER,  
SAIJIMA...

HEY, DON'T  
LOOK AT ME.  
I TOLD HER  
NOT TO TOUCH  
YAKAGI-KUN.

MR.  
TOM-  
NOGI.

...YOU HAVE  
TO KNOW  
WHEN TO  
BACK OFF.

TO  
DRAAGGGG  
+HII

TO  
DRAAGGGG  
+HII

TO  
DRAAGGGG  
+HII





I HAVE NO  
INTENTION  
OF LOSING  
MORE  
THAN I  
ALREADY  
HAVE.

....DON'T  
UNDER-  
ESTIMATE  
DEMON  
ARCHDUKE  
ASTAROTH.



.....



AND THE  
LITTLE  
SQUIRT  
NAMED  
SHIJIMA  
SPECIALIZES  
IN MANIPU-  
LATING  
SHADOWS  
AND  
DARKNESS.

THAT  
YAKAGI  
GIRL'S  
SPECIAL  
ABILITY IS  
LIPPING  
HER  
PHYSICAL  
STRENGTH.



...BUT NOT  
KNOWING  
WHAT GLASYA-  
LABOLAS'S  
DARKNESS  
IS MADE OF,  
IT'LL BE HARD  
TO MAKE THE  
FIRST MOVE.

THERE  
ARE NO  
PHYSICAL  
LIMITS, AS  
SHE ONLY  
USES HER  
MIND...

WHEREAS  
ZILCH IS  
ALL ABOUT  
WARPING  
SPACE WITH  
A REPULSIVE  
FORCE AND  
BENDING  
KINETIC  
ENERGY

...SIGH.  
YOU REALLY  
ARE  
HOPELESS.

THINKING I'D  
TEAM UP WITH  
A DEMON JUST  
BECAUSE  
WE'RE FACING  
THE SAME  
DIRECTION.

WAIT  
WAIT WAIT  
WAIT. HOW  
CAN I BE  
ANALYZING  
THIS SO  
CALMLY?  
AND  
HOW DO  
I KNOW  
ALL THIS  
ANYWAY  
...?



BESIDES...

...IT WOULD  
BE UNWISE  
FOR ME TO  
HAND OVER  
ASTAROTH  
TO HAIME  
TOUNGI.

THE  
CHURCH IS  
THROUGH  
BEING  
USED BY  
DEMONS.

THE  
CHURCH  
IS MORE  
USELESS  
THAN I'D  
IMAGINED.

...I  
FIGURED  
AS MUCH.



**DISPOSE OF  
EVERYONE  
OTHER THAN  
ASTAROTH-  
SAMA!!**

**BLACK  
DOG!**



SADA  
CHAPU









Black  
Clay  
1/5  
2/9



THIS IS  
DIFFERENT  
FROM THE  
POWER I  
GRANTED  
HIM...

...  
JUST  
NOW,  
HE WAS  
BITTEN  
BY THE  
DARK-  
NESS...  
WASN'T  
HE?

MY  
BLACK DOG  
HAD HIM...  
I THOUGHT.

IT'S LIKE HE  
COMPLETELY  
NEUTRALIZED  
THE PHE-  
NOMENON  
ITSELF...



COULD  
IT BE  
SOLO-  
MON'S  
...?

THAT'S  
RIGHT...  
THAT'S WHAT  
A DOG OF  
DARKNESS  
FEELS LIKE  
AGAIN.



I MUST  
ASK THE  
MASTER  
FOR  
ORDERS

I  
MUST

...

WHAT GIVES...?  
I THOUGHT HE  
DIDN'T  
UNDERSTAND  
ANYTHING,  
BUT HE'S SO  
CASUAL...

MORE  
THAN  
THAT,  
IT'S...



HARUJOMI!  
!?

ZILCH...?  
OH, DON'T  
WORRY.



OF  
COURSE,  
THEN  
SHE'S  
JUST A  
VICTIM  
TOO.

SHE MAY  
HAVE BEEN  
EXPERI-  
MENTED ON  
BY MY DAD  
AND THE  
OTHERS.



YOU  
SAID YOUR  
NAME WAS  
SHIJIMA,  
RIGHT?

IF YOU'RE  
A "BRANCH,"  
THAT MEANS  
YOU WERE ALSO  
IN THE GOETIA  
RESEARCH  
FACILITY.



HA-HA-HA.  
I'VE BEEN  
GETTING THAT  
A LOT SINCE  
YESTERDAY.

...WHAT  
ARE YOU?



I SAW  
THE BLACK  
DOG BITE  
DOWN ON  
YOUR  
TORSO!  
YOU  
SHOULD  
BE DEAD  
NOW!!

DON'T  
PLAY  
DUMB  
WITH  
ME! WHY  
DIDN'T  
MY  
POWER  
WORK  
ON  
YOU!?



WHO...

...  
ARE  
YOU?



...THERE'S  
NO WAY  
YOU COULD  
CANCEL  
OUT MY  
POWERS!



EVEN IF YOU  
WERE PIERCED  
WITH A "THORN"  
BY ASTAROTH-  
SAMA AND  
ENDOWED WITH  
SUPERHUMAN  
REGENERATIVE  
POWERS...

BUT I  
KNOW THIS  
MUCH.

It's  
not  
my

WHO  
I AM...  
IS A TOUGH  
QUESTION  
TO  
ANSWER.

I UNDER-  
STAND YOUR  
POWERS,  
EVEN THOUGH  
I SHOULDN'T.

AND THAT  
POWER  
DOESN'T  
WORK  
ON ME.







WELL.....

HM.  
I TRUST  
SHE  
MANAGED  
TO SECURE  
HARLOMI  
IO-KUN.

DIRECTOR,  
FOX 4 HAS  
RETURNED.

WEN  
WEN.

...THAT'S  
QUITE  
A BIG  
CATCH.

SHE'S  
BROUGHT  
ALONG  
HARLOMI IO,  
THE "29TH  
BRANCH,"  
AND TWO  
OTHERS.





PHEW...

NO, YOU  
GOT IT  
RIGHT.

IT REALLY  
IS A CHURCH.  
I THOUGHT  
IT'D BE SOME  
MYSTERIOUS  
ASSASSINS'  
ORGANIZA-  
TION.



GOOD  
JOB. I  
EXPECTED  
NO LESS  
OF YOU,  
YAKAGI-  
KUN.

FOX 4  
REPORT-  
ING.  
MISSION  
COM-  
PLETE.



ONCE  
THEY FOUND  
OUT ABOUT  
HARLOWE,  
IT WAS  
NECESSARY  
TO GET  
IN TOUCH  
WITH THE  
CHURCH.

I NEVER  
THOUGHT  
WE'D BE  
COMING  
HERE...

LET'S  
MAKE  
GOOD USE  
OF THIS  
OPPORTU-  
NITY.



MY NAME IS  
FATHER  
PARABELLUM.

WELL,  
HELLO  
EVERY-  
ONE.  
IT'S  
NICE TO  
MEET  
YOU.

I AM  
THE HEAD  
OF THE  
SEVENTH  
GOSPEL  
ORGANIZA-  
TION.



...I AM  
TERRIBLY  
HAPPY THAT  
THE ARCH-  
DUKE OF FEAR  
HERSELF HAS  
GRACED THE  
HOUSE OF  
THE LORD.

FLATTERY  
WON'T GET  
YOU ANY-  
WHERE.



...SO THIS  
GUY'S THE  
KINGPIN  
WHO  
ORDERED  
ME AND  
ZILCH  
KILLED.

I'M VERY  
GRATEFUL  
TO YOU FOR  
TAKING THE  
TROUBLE TO  
COME ALL  
THIS WAY  
ON SUCH  
SHORT  
NOTICE.



AND  
OF YOU  
ALL...





YOU  
MEAN...  
WHILE  
THEY'RE  
BOTH  
AWAY?



!

FATHER...  
DIRECTOR  
PARA-  
BELLUM,  
LET'S GET  
DOWN TO  
BUSINESS,  
SHALL  
WE?



BETWEEN  
YESTERDAY  
AND TODAY...  
EVERY-  
THING'S  
CHANGED  
SO MUCH.

—I  
GUESS  
THIS IS  
WHAT YOU  
CALL A  
TURNING  
POINT IN  
LIFE.



IT'S  
TRUE THAT  
SOMEWHERE  
DEEP DOWN I  
WAS HOPING  
FOR SOME-  
THING TO  
COME ALONG  
AND SHAKE  
THINGS UP.

I GUESS  
THAT'S...

I'D  
ACTUALLY  
BEEN  
THINKING  
MY  
HUMDRUM  
SCHEDULE  
COULD  
USE A  
CHANGE.

DAY IN AND  
DAY OUT, ALL  
I WAS DOING  
WAS GOING  
THROUGH THE  
MOTIONS. I  
WAS STARTING  
TO WONDER  
IF I WAS  
ACTUALLY  
LIVING AT ALL.

SHANE  
INTERIORS



AWWW.  
BATHS ARE  
THE BEST

...  
WHAT...  
ZILCH DID.



SURE,  
I'LL PERMIT  
IT. AFTER  
ALL, THAT  
GIRL'S  
ALREADY  
USING THE  
OTHER  
BATH.

AND I'D  
RATHER  
NOT BE  
SPIED  
ON BY  
THOSE  
NUNS  
OUTSIDE  
IF I CAN  
HELP IT.



...HEY.  
I GET TO  
LOOK,  
RIGHT?









I WONDER  
IF ZILCH  
REALLY  
HAS ANY  
PARTICULAR  
DESIRES  
OR GOALS.

ASTAROTH  
IS A  
"BRANCH"  
THAT WAS  
ONLY JUST  
BORN...

OR.....

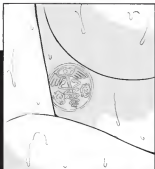


SHARARA  
COMBINED













HARUOHI-KUN.

JUDGING BY ZILCH-CHAN'S MANNERISMS AND APPEARANCE, SHE DIDN'T LEAVE WITH PERMISSION.

SHE ESCAPED.



HUH...?



THERE WILL BE A LOT OF RULES OF THE CHURCH THAT YOU HAVE TO FOLLOW, BUT YOU'LL BE IN FAR LESS DANGER THIS WAY.

WHAT THE HECK'S THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN.....?



WHEN THE TIME COMES, YOU WON'T PASS AS AN INNOCENT PARTY.



SOONER OR LATER PEOPLE FROM GOETIA WILL COME AFTER YOU.



...HOLD ON A SECOND.



...THAT'S RIGHT.

SO, RATHER THAN TAKING ON BOTH THE SEVENTH GOSPEL ORGANIZATION AND GOETIA, YOU'RE TELLING ME TO SIDE WITH ONE OF THEM?



THEY  
KNOW  
WHAT  
YOU'RE  
WORTH!

I'M  
SURE  
THEY  
WON'T  
ABANDON  
YOU SO  
EASILY!

THESE  
GUYS  
JUST  
TRIED TO  
KILL ME  
YESTER-  
DAY,  
REMEM-  
BER!

AND THAT  
PRIEST'S  
OBVIOUSLY  
A SHAM!  
YOU CAN'T  
TRUST  
HIM!



WHAT  
I'M...  
WORTH?



THAT'S  
RIGHT...YOUR  
MOTHER AND  
I MEDICALLY  
TREATED  
YOU.

IN THE  
SAME WAY  
THE YOUNG  
GIRLS WERE  
FUSED WITH  
DEMONS.



!



SO I'M  
SUPPOSED  
TO JUST  
...!

...HUH?



YOU'VE BEEN  
FUSED WITH  
THE RING OF  
SOLOMON.

HARUJOMI,  
YOU CAN  
COMMAND  
ALL  
SEVENTY-  
TWO  
DEMONS.



OH,  
SO THAT'S  
WHY I KNEW  
ALL THEIR  
POWERS  
AND WHY  
THE BLACK  
DOG'S FANGS  
DIDN'T WORK  
ON ME —

WH...  
WHAT  
ARE YOU  
SAYING  
...?



IMMEDIATELY  
AFTER THE  
PROCEDURE,  
THERE WERE  
NO SIGNS OF  
CHANGE IN  
YOU. SO WE  
THOUGHT IT  
WAS A  
FAILURE...

BUT  
OVER THE  
TEN YEARS  
SINCE THEN,  
THE "RING"  
HAS VERY  
CONCRETELY  
PERMEATED  
YOUR BEING.



.....SO  
MY SAFETY  
COMES FIRST  
AND FORE-  
MOST?



IF I'D  
KNOWN  
IT'D COME  
TO THIS,  
I'D HAVE  
RATHER  
DIED  
ALONG  
WITH MY  
SISTER  
AND THE  
OTHERS!!

AND  
JUST  
WHOSE  
FAULT  
IS IT  
THAT  
I'M IN  
DANGER  
IN THE  
FIRST  
PLACE!?



...I'M  
SORRY.









BUT WHEN I'M ALONE, MEMORIES OF MY SISTER AND HOW I COULDN'T SAVE HER FLOAT TO THE SURFACE.

ON THE SURFACE, I'VE PUT ON A SMILE AND GOTTEN BY FINE IN LIFE.



EVER SINCE I LOST MY SISTER AND FRIEND TO THE HUMAN EXPERIMENTS AT GOETIA, I'VE BEEN A SHELL OF MY FORMER SELF.

I WASN'T ENTHUSED ABOUT ANYTHING, AND BEFORE I KNEW IT, TEN YEARS PASSED.



"IF YOU WANT PEACE, PREPARE FOR WAR."

HM?



I HAVE NO WISHES BECAUSE I'M NOT EVEN SURE I'M PROPERLY ALIVE IN THE FIRST PLACE.



JUST  
STAYING  
ALIVE IS  
A DAILY  
FIGHT.

IT'S WHAT  
THAT SHADY  
PRIEST'S NAME  
MEANS.



IF WHO YOU  
WERE UNTIL JUST  
YESTERDAY WAS NO  
GOOD, THEN NOW  
THAT YOU'VE MET  
ME, YOU SHOULD  
GO AHEAD AND  
CHANGE.



IT'S  
JUST...



WHAT!?  
WHAT'S  
SO  
FUNNY?!

...HA-  
HA-HA!





...SAYING  
WHAT YOU  
JUST DID.

...YOU  
DON'T  
SEEM LIKE  
A DEMON  
AT ALL...



DO YOU  
HAVE A  
WISH?

HEY,  
ZILCH.

HMMM...



NOT A  
BIG ONE  
THOUGH.

...YEAH.  
I'VE  
GOT  
ONE.



A-ALL I  
DID WAS...  
I MEAN,  
YOU  
STARTED  
IT IN THE  
FIRST  
PLACE!

AH-HA-  
HA-HA-  
HA!



**SOMEDAY,  
I WANT TO  
GO HOME...**

**...AS  
A THRONE,  
BACK UP TO  
HEAVEN.**



I SEE...  
DEMONS ARE  
ORIGINALLY  
ANGELS WHO  
PICKED A FIGHT  
WITH GOD,  
RIGHT?

THAT  
DOESN'T  
SOUND  
EASY TO  
REMEDY.

ZLCH,  
YOU...



BUT  
EVER SINCE  
I BECAME  
A FALLEN  
ANGEL AFTER  
FAILING IN  
THE WAR...

...THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
I'VE BEEN  
HEARING.

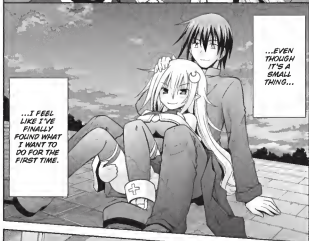
MM-HM.  
THAT'S  
BECAUSE  
I REALLY  
PISSED  
HIM OFF  
BIG-TIME!



I HAVE  
NO IDEA  
WHAT I  
CAN DO  
RIGHT  
NOW...

...OR  
SLAY ALL  
THE OTHER  
DEMONS.  
THEN I CAN  
RETURN TO  
HEAVEN.

I EITHER  
HAVE TO  
DO AS  
MANY  
GOOD  
DEEDS AS  
THERE  
ARE  
STEPS  
IN THE  
STAIRWAY  
TO HEAVEN...



TO BE CONTINUED



THIS IS MY FIRST COMPILED  
MANGA VOLUME IN ONE YEAR  
AND FOUR MONTHS.

MY JOB HAS BROUGHT  
ME FROM A TRADITIONAL  
JAPANESE CAT GIRL → VAMPIRE  
(SHORT STORY) → DEMONS  
WITHOUT ANY PRINCIPLES.  
THEN AGAIN, I'VE ALWAYS  
WANTED TO TACKLE THE  
SUBJECT MATTER OF DEMONS  
SINCE WAY BACK WHEN.  
NONHUMAN HEROINES ARE  
THE BEST, AREN'T THEY?

MY WORKSPACE ENVIRONMENT'S  
CHANGED IN LOTS OF WAYS  
SINCE MY LAST MAJOR WORK  
AND WASN'T REALLY PANNED OUT  
THE WAY I THOUGHT IT WOULD.  
WHILE I'VE GONE DIGITAL,  
IT FEELS LIKE THINGS TAKE  
LONGER NOW...

AND IT'S NOT HARUKI WHO'S  
TAKEN BY THE VISION, BUT  
RATHER ME, MATRA. THAT'S  
VOLUME 1 FOR YOU.

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THE  
CHURCH  
THINKS AS  
EFFICIENTLY  
AS I'D  
IMAGINED.

USING  
DEMONS  
TO KILL  
DEMONS?

THOSE  
GIRLS  
AREN'T  
AS WEAK  
AS YOU  
THINK.

...ARE  
RIDICULOUS  
AGAINST  
ME!

YOUR  
EFFORTS

...

**A NEW  
"BRANCH"  
APPEARS  
BEFORE  
HARLOMI  
!?**

A MERE  
SCRATCH WILL  
BRING DEATH,  
EVEN TO A  
"BRANCH."

MY ARROW  
IS SURE TO  
KILL...



**THE  
ACADEMY  
ARC  
BEGINS!!**



UNLESS  
THERE'S  
A TEST  
TO TAKE...  
IT'S NOT A  
PLACE YOU  
COME TO  
FOR FUN.

THIS  
SCHOOL  
PLACE IS  
PRETTY  
FUN,  
HARUOMI!



ARE YOU  
THE ONE  
THEY CALL  
THE KEY OF  
SOLOMON?

I AM  
HEL-  
LENTZA  
FITZEN-  
GAHEN.



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